

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 15-278V

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JANICE SCHROEDER,

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Petitioner,

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH

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AND HUMAN SERVICES,

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Respondent.

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Jeffrey S. Pop, Jeffrey S. Pop, Attorney at Law, Beverly Hills, CA, for petitioner.

Christine Becer, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for respondent.

DECISION AWARDING DAMAGES¹

Vowell, Chief Special Master:

On March 18, 2015, Janice Schroeder filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*,² [the “Vaccine Act” or “Program”]. The petition alleges that as a result of an influenza [“flu”] vaccination on November 12, 2013, petitioner suffered a shoulder injury. Petition at 1. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On June 30, 2015, I issued a ruling on entitlement, finding petitioner entitled to compensation for a shoulder injury related to vaccine administration [“SIRVA”]. On July 7, 2015, respondent filed a proffer on award of compensation [“Proffer”] indicating that petitioner should be awarded compensation in the amount of \$55,000.00 for pain and suffering and \$2,380.00 for unreimbursed medical expenses. Proffer at 1.

¹ Because this unpublished decision contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, I intend to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-347, § 205, 116 Stat. 2899, 2913 (codified as amended at 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012)). In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, I agree that the identified material fits within this definition, I will redact such material from public access.

² National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all “§” references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2006).

Pursuant to the terms stated in the attached Proffer, **I award petitioner a lump sum payment of \$57,380.00 in the form of a check payable to petitioner, Janice Schroeder.** This amount represents compensation for all damages that would be available under § 300aa-15(a).

The clerk of the court is directed to enter judgment in accordance with this decision.³

s/Denise K. Vowell
Denise K. Vowell
Chief Special Master

³ Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), entry of judgment can be expedited by each party filing a notice renouncing the right to seek review.

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